

retail outlets, to prevent various malpractices including adulteration. In addition, special drives are launched by the oil companies both on their own and also under direction of Government from time to time to check malpractices. Further, to prevent adulteration various steps like blue dyeing of kerosene (PDS), furfural doping, filter paper test, checking of retail outlets by mobile laboratories, etc. are undertaken by the oil companies.

(c) The dealer agreements of the oil marketing companies provide for termination of dealership if dealer tampers with the quality of the product.

White Paper on 48 PSUs

9. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a White Paper on the 48 public sector undertakings under his Ministry's control is to be brought out by Government;

(b) whether any discussion took place with the CMDs of these undertakings on 5th June, 2000; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. A meeting was held with the Chief Executives of some of PSUs on 5th June, 2000 to review the present status.

Placement agencies engaged by EIL

*10. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names/address of placement agencies engaged by the Engineers India Limited (EIL);

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(b) the terms and conditions entered into between EIL and placement agencies;

(c) whether these agencies are promoted by ex-employees of EIL, if so, the criteria of selection;

(d) the complete details of ex-employees/Officers who have promoted these agencies; and

(e) the details of technical/non-technical/other employees recruited through these agencies upto 15th June, 2000, and criteria adopted in selection of employees and commission paid to agencies by EIL/ employees?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Engineers India Limited has not engaged any placement agency for recruitment of technical/non-technical personnel in the Company.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Enforcement of Laws for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

*11. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the Chief Ministers have been urged to enforce laws for more humane treatment to animals and to associate NGOs to achieve the basic minimum care for animals;

(b) if so, what is the State Governments response thereto;

(c) whether it is also a fact that besides rigorous enforcement of existing provisions of law on the subject, there are many parts of the country where either there is no presence of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or it is non-functional; and

(d) if so, what other measures Government are taking?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANBKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A number of State Governments have replied that they have received the letter and looking into the matter.

(c) Yes, Sir.